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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
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STATE BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

IN THE MATTER OF

Administrative Action

Hector Corrales License No.43ZA00509100

TO PRACTICE RESPIRATORY CARE IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Respiratory Care (Board) upon receipt of information that on February 25, 2009, Respondent, Hector Corrales, voluntarily resigned in lieu of discharge, as the Respiratory Care Clinical Coordinator, at Virtua Inc., Marlton, NJ due to allegations he violated Virtua's conflict of interest and sexual harassment policy. On July 13, 2010, Mr. Corrales with his counsel, John C. Rastlack, Jr., appeared before the Board for an investigative

inquiry. Mr. Corrales provided testimony to the Board in response to the allegation that he sexually harassed a salesperson of Lincare, Inc. During his testimony, he denied that he sexually harassed the salesperson, but acknowledged that he attempted to enter into a personal relationship with the salesperson for Lincare, Inc., a company that provided home care respiratory services to hospital patients after they are discharged.

The Board finding Respondent admitted to violating Virtua's conflict of interest and sexual harassment policy by attempting to engage in a personal relationship with a salesperson of Lincare Inc., and the Board finding the underlying conduct to be professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e), thus providing grounds for disciplinary action; and the parties having agreed and consented to the resolution of this matter without the necessity of the Board instituting formal proceedings, and the Board finding that Respondent is remorseful and has appropriate insight regarding his behavior that led to his resignation, the within Order is adequately protective of the public and that good cause exists for its entry; the Board finding the within disposition to be adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare;

IT IS, therefore, on this 20th day of October, 2010, ORDERED THAT:

Respondent, Hector Corrales, is reprimanded for the

conduct admitted by him as detailed above.

2. Respondent, Hector Corrales, shall cease and desist from engaging in any conduct in professional settings as detailed above.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

By:

Kenneth Capek, Board President

I have read and understood the above Consent Order. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

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I consent to the entry of this Order as to form.

John C. Eastlack, Esq.